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SUBJECT: SOVIET GOVERNMENT AWARD TO OCCIDENTAL'S ARMAND
HAMMER

1. SOVIET MEDIA (PRAVDA MAY 21, EVENING NEWS PROGRAM
"VREMYA" MAY 20, MADE PUBLIC A DECREE OF THE PRESIDUM
OF THE SUPREME SOVIET, SIGNED BY BREZHNEV AND PRESIDUM
SECRETARY GEORGADZE, WHICH AWARDS OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM
CHAIRMAN ARMAND HAMMER THE "ORDER OF FRIENDSHIP OF PEOPLES
FOR HIS "ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE REESTABLISHMENT
(NALAZHIVANIE) OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND ECONOMIC
COOPERATION BETWEEN THE USA AND THE USSR AND IN CONNECTION
WITH HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY." OCCIDENTAL OIL MOSCOW OFFICE
EXPECTS V.V. KUZNETSOV, FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE
PRESIDIUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET, TO GRANT THE AWARD TO
HAMMER, DURING THE LATTER'S STAY IN MOSCOW MAY 24 TO
MAY 29.

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2. COMMENT: WHILE OCCIDENTAL OIL MOSCOW OFFICE HAS TOLD
US THAT THE PURPOSE OF HAMMER'S TRIP IS TO RECEIVE THE
AWARD, HE PRESUMABLY HAS ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES. ON THE
FLIGHT CLEARANCE REQUEST TO THE MFA, OCCIDENTAL STATED THAT
THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT IS TO MEET WITH DEPUTY PRIME
MINISTER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR
CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS I.T. NOVIKOV. PERHAPS COINCIDENTALLY

AN OCCIDENTAL DELEGATION WILL ARRIVE IN MOSCOW MAY 27 FOR
NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS ON THE PRICE OF AMMONIA.
SINCE HAMMER EXPECTS TO BE IN MOSCOW 6 DAYS, HE WILL HAVE
TIME TO MAKE HIS CUSTOMARY REVIEW OF ALL ONGOING OCCIDENT-
AL PROJECTS IN THE USSR. MATLOCK

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